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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CLEANUP PROGRAM – **GROUNDWATER SAMPLING**,
ELECTRONIC SOLUTIONS, 3445 FLETCHER AVE., SOUTH EL MONTE, CA (FILE No.
107.0411)

Dear Mr. Hable:

The South El Monte Operable Unit (SEMOU) Participants, along with the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority are implementing a pump-and-treat system for VOC contaminated groundwater in a pilot program. The treatment system is located at the southern edge of the SEMOU. Testing during the design and permitting phases of the system revealed that the groundwater may be contaminated with emergent chemicals, such as perchlorate, 1,4-dioxane, N-nitrodimethylamine (NDMA) and methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE).

In order to determine the source and extent of these emergent chemicals, we are requesting upgradient sites to test for these chemicals. You are hereby directed to sample the groundwater monitoring well at the subject facility for the next two quarters (July through December 1999), and analyze the groundwater samples for the above-mentioned chemicals. Please note that the groundwater samples must be analyzed at the detection limits specified as follow: perchlorate (4 ppb), 1,4-dioxane (2 ppb), NDMA (.033 ppb), and MTBE (10 ppb).

Although your facility is on a semi-annual monitoring schedule, we request that the groundwater sampling be started in July 1999 and the first groundwater sampling report is due to us by **August 15, 1999**. At the end of these two-quarter monitoring period, Regional Board staff will evaluate the data and discontinue the sampling if the data warrant. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Dr. Yi Lu at (213) 576-6728.

Sincerely,

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